DODGE COUNTY PLANNING, DEVELOPMENT AND PARKS COMMITTEE MINUTES April 1, 2013

The Dodge County Planning, Development and Parks Committee met on April 1, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. on the 1st Floor of the Administration Building, Juneau, Wisconsin.

Chairman Schaefer called the meeting to order. Roll Call was taken. Members present were Tom Schaefer, Allen Behl, Randy Grebel, Joseph Marsik and William Muche. The staff present at the request of the Chairman were Joyce Fiacco, Bill Ehlenbeck and Terry Ochs.

The Chairman asked the staff to confirm compliance with the open meeting laws and the public hearing notice requirements. Mr. Ochs noted that the meeting was properly noticed in accord with the open meeting law and noted that the required notices for the public hearings listed on the agenda were posted, mailed and published in accord with the statute and code requirements.

The agenda was reviewed and approved as posted.

ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS

1. Fiacco provided an update on the joint 2012 Budget recommendation made to the Finance Committee from the Land Information Committee and the Planning, Development and Parks Committee for reallocation of unexpended funds and appropriation of unanticipated revenue between accounts and business units in the department and a not to exceed \$15,000 contingency fund transfer. Year-end figures indicated that the fund transfer was not necessary and in fact approximately \$10,300 would be available for return to the general fund. She also provided the amount of funds in non-lapsing accounts that will be carried forward and stated that \$25,500 would be returned to the Sales and Use Tax fund.

PARK SYSTEM

1. Authorize Snowmobile & ATV Grant Applications

Motion by Randy Grebel to approve Resolution 2013-4.1-100P which authorizes the Department to apply for 2013-2014 Snowmobile Aids for acquisition and maintenance for 320.5 miles of existing certified trail in the amount of \$250.00 per mile. The resolution also allows the Department to apply for funds for new trail sections based upon recommendations of the Dodge County Snowmobile Association and apply for Bridge Rehabilitation funds if necessary. The resolution also authorizes the Department to sign the documents necessary for these applications.

Second by Joseph Marsik Vote 5-0 Motion carried.

Motion by Allen Behl to approve Resolution 2013-4.1-200P which authorizes the Department to apply for 2013-2014 ATV Trail Aids for acquisition and maintenance for 20 miles of existing certified trail in the amount of \$100.00 per mile. The resolution also allows the Department to sign the documents necessary for the application.

Second by Allen Behl Vote 5-0 Motion carried.

2. Authorize Wild Goose Trail Grant Applications

Motion by Allen Behl to approve the Resolution that authorizes the Department to submit a grant application for any financial aid that may be available for resurfacing and rehabilitating portions of the Wild Goose State Trail.

Second by Joseph Marsik Vote 5-0 Motion carried.

Motion by Joseph Marsik to approve the Resolution that authorizes the Department to submit a grant application for any financial aid that may be available for development of the Wild Goose State Trail over the remaining 2 block section in the City of Juneau.

Second by Randy Grebel Vote 5-0 Motion carried.

3. Approve Nitschke Mounds excavation

Bill reported on potential plans to hold the annual public archeology event at Nitschke Mounds Park on May 4-5. Archeologist Dr. Kira Kaufmann typically leads the excavation and mound tours for public viewing and participation. The excavations require a State Archeology Permit and authorization from the County. Motion by Randy Grebel to approve resolution 2013-4.1-300P which authorizes archeological excavation event at Nitschke Mounds Park in 2013.

Second by Allen Behl Vote 5-0 Motion carried.

4. Park Managers Report

Bill reported on park status with snow, ice and water prevalent throughout the parks. The new pier at Astico was partially underwater, however it seems to be holding steady and undamaged from a severe winter. Some campers have reserved for coming weekend if campsites are accessible by then. Camping reservations started slowly this spring but are starting to pick up. Derge Park is completely booked for Memorial Day weekend and is about 60% booked for Labor Day weekend.

Bill reported that all park staff except Bob Uelmen – Trail Caretaker will be returning this season and starting on April 15th. Dan Schultz, a 2012 park volunteer and recent MATC graduate in Recreation Management has been hired. Dan will also be filling in extra hours at Harnischfeger and Astico to cover for reduced availability of staff at those parks.

Bill reported on the 14 acre Roll-Hahn property adjacent to Ledge Park. Past efforts to acquire the property in 2000-2003 were unsuccessful and the owners decided not to sell at that time. Recently the owners contacted Bill and indicated they may sell the property within a year and wanted to check the County's interest. Bill will further investigate the property and report back to the committee with a recommendation.

The hearing procedures were read into the record.

PUBLIC HEARING

Scott Hewitt, agent for James and Mary Sanderson – Request for a Conditional Use Permit under the Land Use Code, Dodge County, Wisconsin to allow for the creation of a 2-acre nonfarm single family residential lot within the A-1 Prime Agricultural Zoning District. The property is located in part of the SW ¼, SW ¼, Section 31, Town of Oak Grove along the north side of County Road KW, approximately 1000 feet west of its intersection with Welsh Road.

Motion by Randy Grebel to approve the conditional use permit to allow for the creation of a 2-acre nonfarm residential lot subject to the following conditions:

- 1. The applicant shall obtain the required land division approvals for the proposed lot from the County and local municipalities if required, prior to the creation of these lots;
- 2. The proposed non-farm residential lot shall not exceed 2.3-acres in area unless the lot is successfully rezoned out of the A-1 Prime Agricultural Zoning District;
- 3. Only one single family residential unit may be constructed on the proposed non-farm residential lot unless this lot is successfully rezoned into a zoning district which allows additional residential units;
- 4. The acreage of the proposed non-farm residential lot shall count towards the total non-farm residential acreage that can be created from the base farm tract for this property;
- 5. An affidavit is recorded for the 44.86-acre remnant lot that states the following:
 - a. "This lot is intended for agricultural and open space use only and no residential structures shall be constructed on it."
 - b. "The land located along the north and west side of the waterway shall not be sold separately from the land along the south and east side of the waterway unless said land is sold to an adjacent land owner located along the same side of the waterway."
 - c. "The owner acknowledges and gives notice that this property is subject to the Dodge County Land Use Code residential density standards and there may be limitations as to the number of new lots that can be created from this property in the future."
- 6. The owner and subsequent owners of this non-farm residential lot hereby agree to comply with Subsection 9.2, Right to Farm provisions of the Dodge County Land Use Code and that they will not cause unnecessary interference with adjoining farming operations producing agricultural products and using generally accepted agricultural practices, including access to active farming operations;
- 7. The decision of the Committee is valid for one year.

Second by Joseph Marsik.

Vote 5-0 Motion carried.

PUBLIC HEARING

Eugene Perry for a Conditional Use Permit under the Shoreland Protection Ordinance, Dodge County, Wisconsin to allow filling, grading and excavating within 300 feet of a navigable body of water (Alto Creek) and for placing fill within a Wetland and Floodplain District associated with the establishment of a trail to access Alto Creek and associated with the construction of a wetland scrape. The property is located in part of the SW 1/4, SW 1/4, Section 18, Town of Trenton.

Motion by William Muche to approve the conditional use permit request to allow filling, grading and excavating within 300 feet of a navigable body of water (Alto Creek) and for placing fill within a Wetland and Floodplain District associated with the establishment of a trail to access Alto Creek and associated with the construction of a wetland scrape subject to the following conditions:

- It shall be the responsibility of the applicant to obtain all other required permits/approvals from the Department of Natural Resources and/or Army Corps of Engineers prior to beginning construction.
- 2. All work shall be done in accord with the submitted plans and specifications received by the Department on January 14, 2013.
- 3. All disturbed areas shall be leveled, graded and seeded to permanent vegetation as soon as possible to prevent erosion of silt into Alto Creek.
- 4. The proposed project shall not obstruct flow and shall not increase the regional flood height by more than 0.01 foot.
- 5. All erosion control measures required by the applicable Federal, State, County and Local codes shall be in place and shall be maintained throughout the duration of the project in accordance with Best Management Practices.
- 6. The decision of the Committee is valid for 1 year.

Second by Joseph Marsik.

Vote 5-0 Motion carried.

OTHER BUSINESS

1. The minutes from the March 18, 2013 meeting were reviewed by the Committee.

Motion by Randy Grebel to approve the minutes as written.

Second by Joseph Marsik.

Vote:5-0 Motion carried.

2. Committee Member Reports: None

3	Per	Diems:	None
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Motion by Chairman to adjourn the meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Allen Behl, Secretary

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